GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:161
ANSWERED ON:02.08.2001
DISCUSSION ON ENRON ISSUE
NAWAL KISHORE RAI;VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Godbole Committee appointed by the Government ofMaharashtra have inter alia recommended cancellation of the present tariff structure with regard to the power supplied by Enron;

(b) if so, whether any final decision in regard to the Enron has now been considered;

(c) if so, whether agreement in this regard has been reached after having discussions with various partners on this issue; and

(d) if so, the details of the final agreement?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SURESH P. PRABHU)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.161 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2001 REGARDING DISCUSSION ON ENRON ISSUE.

(a) : The Energy Review Committee constituted by the Governmentof Maharashtra (GOM) under the Chairmanship of Dr. Madhavrao Godbole has made several recommendations with regard to the Dabhol Power Projectincluding tariff related issues. It has recommended restructuring of the Dabhol project to bring down the cost of power. As per recommendations of the Energy Review Committee, the GOM has constituted a NegotiatingCommittee on 30.4.2001 under the Chairmanship of Dr. MadhavraoGodbole to carry out discussions with the concerned parties with a view to reducing the tariff as well as sale of power of the Dabhol power project. The Government of India has appointed Shri A.V. Gokak, former Secretary tothe Government of India as its nominee on the Negotiating Committee. The Committee has had a few rounds of meetings with concerned Organizations.

(b) : No, Sir. Final decision in the matter is to be taken by the GOM.The Government of India is committed to facilitating an early resolution of the issues by the MSEB and DPC.

(c) & (d) : Do not arise.